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Attention: Ms. Sue Kiser

Attention: Mr. Ray Sukys

Dear Ms. Kiser and Mr. Sukys:

With this letter, I am transmitting the following amendment of California's 2002/03-2004/05 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP). This amendment includes programming modifications to the rural, non-Metropolitan Planning Organization, portion of the state and applies specifically to Madera County.

<u>No.</u> Description

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State Highway Element

Modifies funding for a State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) project in Madera County. The amendment programs a total of \$426,000 in Fiscal Year (FY) 2002/03 for the right of way phase and a total of \$6,830,000 for the construction phase in FY 2003/04 for "State Route 99-Gateway Drive Off-ramp Project (PPNO: 5355)". The project scope includes interchange modifications between Gateway Drive Offramp and South Madera Overcrossing along State Route 99.

See enclosure.

The financial impacts of this amendment are compatible with anticipated revenues in the FSTIP Financial Plan and do not significantly affect the overall financial analysis.

In accordance with the Memorandum of Understanding between MCTC and the Council of Fresno County Governments (COFCG), the COFCG makes the finding of air quality conformity for Madera County. Documentation is enclosed from the COFCG that satisfies this requirement. The updated programming has been found by the COFCG to conform to applicable air quality regulations. Therefore, this amendment is consistent with the State Implementation Plan.

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In accordance with existing law, public involvement procedures are a part of the project selection process. This amendment was prepared under that process permitting citizens, affected local agencies and other public agencies, and other interested parties reasonable opportunity for comment.

Please address any questions on this FSTIP approval request to Abhijit Bagde of my staff at (916) 654-3638.

Sincerely,

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY

JIM NICHOLAS Chief Division of Transportation Programming

Enclosures

c: Steven Barhite- EPA Office of Air Planning (w/enclosure)
Patricia Taylor Maley - Madera County Transportation Commission
Abhijit Bagde - Caltrans

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